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EDUCATIONAL AFFAIRS ON MAUI and HAWAII**Maui News Reports Affairs Educational on The Valley Isle**

It is unfortunate when a public servant lays himself open to merited criticism, and it is doubly unfortunate when that servant is connected with our educational system.

The present Superintendent of Education is no doubt an estimable man in his line, but that he lacks initiative and executive ability has been demonstrated time and again since he has been in office.

If Mr. Pope thinks he can put aside criticism by a wave of hand, or a general statement that his critics are incompetent, he errs, and shows more clearly his false position.

There are many things in the educational department which have always looked strange to us, but we have withheld comment, and passed them on the theory that perfection in any line of endeavor is hard to attain.

We have always opposed the present method of appointing supervising principals, and do not believe they have been appointed solely with the object in view of recognizing ability. We have here on Maui four supervising principals, two of whom do not hold certificates qualifying them to their position, according to the rules laid down by the Board of Education. We know nothing of the qualifications of these gentlemen other than that they have not the grade of certificate called for by the board. We quote the rule of the board.

"Supervising principals shall be appointed by the department at its discretion, but each appointee must be the holder of a Grammar Grade Certificate or its equivalent."—Maui News.

From The Hilo Tribune.

The Tribune last week, in answer to the statement by Superintendent of Public Instruction Pope that no definite instances of maladministration and favoritism on his part had been cited, announced that it could furnish such. It will now do so.

Mr. Pope says: "The teachers' salaries are paid according to schedules. I have nothing to do with the amounts they are paid. No definite charges are made by Mr. Lewis, so I cannot say anything with regard to them. As far as I know no complaints have been received."

Mr. Pope also, indignantly, denies that he makes favorites out of his imported teachers at the expense of the old employees of the department.

It is unfortunate that, in order to furnish the "definite charges" demanded by Pope, it becomes necessary to name certain teachers.

The Tribune will therefore name but one instance, which, however, is typical.

Mrs. A. L. Case, an assistant at the Papaikou School, who was brought to the Islands by Pope a few months ago, receives a salary of \$75 a month, which is far in excess of what the official schedule allows for the first year for an assistant.

The schedule in reference to assistants says "Certificate First year \$50 per month." In another paragraph it says: "Assistant teachers obtaining normal diplomas will begin at \$60 per month, and receive the maximum salary after seven years of a actual service. Teachers having completed the two year's collegiate course in the normal school shall begin at \$65 a month, receiving the maximum salary after five years of actual service."

The only manner in which Mrs. Case could legally be paid above the schedule, would be if the Papaikou School were a sed as an "undesirable location." This phrase

may be used, as it is, to cover a multitude of sins, but Papaikou, within a few minutes train ride of Hilo, can hardly by even the most vivid stretching of imagination be called an undesirable school.

This shows that some teachers are paid above schedule.

The case of V. A. Carvalho, principal of the Honouliuli School, shows that some teachers are being paid below the rates of the schedule. According to the last report made by Superintendent Pope to the governor, Carvalho holds a normal diploma, and has been in the employ of the department since April, 1893. He has five assistants under him.

According to the schedule a principal having five assistants should, after his 6th. year, receive \$1,500 a year, or \$125 a month. He gets only \$1,200 a year, or \$100 a month.

In other words, Mrs. Case, coming direct from California, is being paid considerably above the schedule. Carvalho, after eighteen years of service, is being paid \$23 below the schedule.

Still Pope says: "The teachers' salaries are paid according to schedule."

Pope in his answer says: "Mr. Lewis himself could not tell the difference between a primary and a grammar grade certificate. Anyway, supervising principals are not appointed on certificates at all. No requirements are demanded other than that they must have the qualifications of a principal. As they are always chosen from among the principals, of course, they have these."

That Mr. Pope states a deliberate falsehood when he says that "supervising principals are not appointed on certificates at all," is shown by the following rule:

SUPERVISING PRINCIPALS.
"Supervising principals, shall be appointed by the department at its discretion, BUT EACH APPOINTEE MUST BE THE HOLDER OF A GRAMMAR GRADE CERTIFICATE OR ITS EQUIVALENT."

The above rule is taken from the "Rule and Regulations" which went into effect in June this year.

Pope has, further, violated this rule in the appointment of the supervising principals on this island. At least three or four of Hawaii's supervising principals do not hold grammar grade certificates, nor their equivalent.

YOUNG LYDGATE APPRECIATED

The many friends of the late W. O. Lydgate, who died recently at Cornell, will be interested in the following account of his death, which appeared in the Cornell Daily Sun, Oct. 10:

William Orr Lydgate, '13 assistant manager of baseball, died at the Infirmary yesterday at 6:20 P. M. from acute Bright's disease and hypostatic pneumonia, developing after an operation for appendicitis. He was 21 years old, was registered in the College of Agriculture, and a member of the Chi Phi fraternity. He came from Pauilo, Hawaii, and graduated with first honors from Oahu College, Honolulu.

Lydgate was first taken sick last Wednesday morning but refused to be moved to the Infirmary till 10 P. M. The pains in his side from which he was suffering, continued and at 3 P. M. Thursday it was decided to operate for appendicitis. Success apparently attended the operation, his condition improving till about 3 P. M. the next day when he again complained of pains in his side. From then on his condition became worse. Doctor Lee of Rochester was called in consultation Sunday and pronounced the case hopeless. Death came very quietly. About 7 P. M. Sunday he

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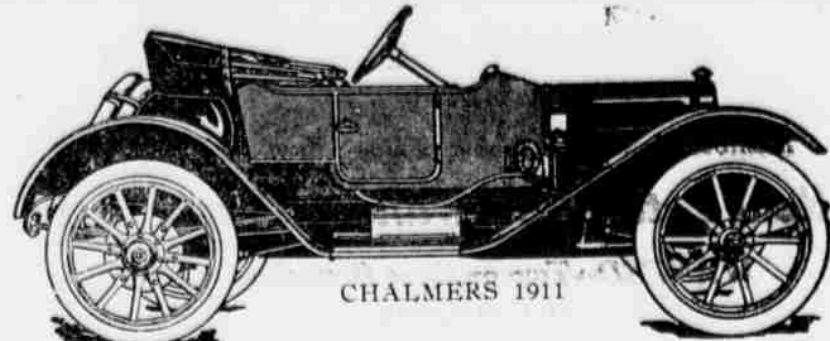
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fell into a stupor from which he never regained consciousness.

It so happened that Mr. and Mrs. Lydgate were in Petersborough, Canada, visiting relatives. They were first reached by telephone and informed of the success of the operation. Later when complications set in they were advised to come at once. They arrived in town Saturday noon, and were with their son at his death.

Short services will be held at the Chi Phi house to-day at 11 A. M. The body will be taken by his parents on the 1:25 P. M. train to the home of relatives at Petersborough, Canada, for burial.

In the same issue is found the following editorial:

That satisfactory type of man who delights to aid a friend behind his back, the type that performs any act, whether it be a regular duty or some special favor, quietly and well, and then keeps the deed unknown—such a man was William Orr Lydgate.

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Death must ever bring us a shock. And the shock comes the greater when he whom the unseen reaper calls is least easily to be spared. There are so many less worthy men, whose places could be filled.

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